

ATCHISON CITY, KANSAS.

JUNE 15, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. JOHN COCHRANE, from the Committee on Commerce, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill to constitute Atchison City, in the State of Kansas, a port of entry and delivery, submit the following report:

That there is no evidence before this committee that the conveniences of commerce, or the interests of the revenue, require the establishment of a collection district in the locality named; for which reasons, as well as those given by the Secretary of the Treasury, your committee report adversely, and ask that the bill do lie upon the table.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, April 3, 1860.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo, transmitting, for my views, a bill to create a collection district in the Territory of Kansas, to be called the district of Atchison, with Atchison City as its port of entry and delivery.

I would beg leave to suggest that if any port should be established in that locality, it should not be a port of entry, but should be a port of delivery, on the footing of St. Louis, Louisville, and Cincinnati; but I am in possession of no information that would justify my recommendation of the passage of any bill creating Atchison City a port.

The multiplication of interior ports, at which duties to a trifling amount only are collected, increases the number of customs officers and the expenses of collecting the revenue, without any corresponding benefit to the public treasury.

I must therefore decline recommending the passage of the bill, which is herewith returned.

I am, very respectfully,

HOWELL COBB,
Secretary of the Treasury.

Hon. E. B. WASHBURN,
Chairman Committee on Commerce, House of Representatives.

ATCHISON CITY, KANSAS.

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. John C. Spooner, from the Committee on Commerce, made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill to establish a post office at Atchison City, in the State of Kansas, a part of which was referred to the following report:

That there is no evidence before the committee that the revenue of commerce at the instance of the revenue, requires the establishment of a collection district in the locality named; for which reasons, as well as those given by the Secretary of the Treasury, your committee report adversely, and ask that the bill do lie upon the table.

TERRITORY OF KANSAS, April 2, 1860.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo, transmitting for my review a bill to create a collection district in the Territory of Kansas to be called the district of Atchison, with Atchison City as the post of entry and delivery. I would beg leave to suggest that if any post should be established in that locality, it should not be a part of entry, but should be a post of delivery, on the route of St. Louis, Louisville, and Cincinnati; but I am in possession of no information that would justify my recommendation of the passage of any bill creating Atchison City a post. The multiplication of interior posts at which duties to a trifling amount only are collected, increases the number of revenue officers and the expenses of collecting the revenue, without any corresponding benefit to the public treasury.

I must therefore decline recommending the passage of the bill, which is respectfully returned.

I am, very respectfully,

HOWELL COBB,
Secretary of the Territory.

Hon. E. H. WARRICK,
Chairman Committee on Commerce, House of Representatives.